

Pertinent Paragraphs

D. W. Driscoll, of Paia, was a visitor to Honolulu this week.

Suit has been instituted in the circuit court by J. W. Ambrose against Kealahou, for ejectment.

Rosa Cruz was yesterday granted a divorce from her husband Hernenillo Cruz. Grounds, desertion. The parties live at Camp 1.

The petition of D. C. Lindsay for final discharge as guardian of Webster K. Aluli, was yesterday granted by Judge Edgings, who also approved the final accounts. The ward has become of age.

D. C. Lindsay was yesterday appointed guardian of the minor children of W. T. Robinson, under bond of \$2000.

Among the most interesting pictures taken of the recent flood damage in Iao Valley, is a set taken by Circuit Court Stenographer W. S. Chillingworth. Four of the photographs taken at the Market street bridge, form a panorama which gives an unusually good idea of the destructiveness of the flood.

The case instituted against Dr. J. H. Raymond of Ulupalakua, Maui, by Eugene Murphy, a Wilkes lawyer, was discontinued in the local circuit court Tuesday. This was an action for debt.

There was no baseball last Sunday on account of the rain. Next Sunday, however, the second games of the second series will be played, the Saints meeting the Asahis and the Chinese the Waikapus.

Manuel F. Costa was on Monday granted a divorce from his wife Mary Pinero Costa, by Judge Edgings, on grounds of desertion. The mother, however is given the custody of the several small children, until further order of the court, and the father having permission to see them from time to time. Costa is now living in Honolulu, while his wife is at Haiku.

Mrs. Ethel Chislett has brought suit in the local circuit court for divorce from her husband A. M. Chislett, on grounds of desertion. Chislett, who was formerly a barber in Wailuku, slipped away on a sailing vessel over a year ago, leaving numerous creditors to hold the sack, and his whereabouts is not now known. Mrs. Chislett is living in Honolulu.

Divorce summons have been issued by Komeyo Okabayashi vs Nooshige Okabayashi, for divorce on grounds of desertion.

Harry Alu is suing his wife Annie Alu for divorce, on grounds of desertion. The couple live in Kahului.

Kaolulani Enos has asked the Second Circuit Court to grant her a divorce from her husband Huakini Enos. She says he has deserted her. Both parties live in Wailuku.

The annual accounts of C. D. Lufkin, guardian of Rosalie Ferreira, a minor, were yesterday approved by Judge Edgings.

Judge Edgings yesterday approved the annual accounts of D. C. Lindsay as guardian of Ume and Matsu Mori, Francis Spencer, and Herman C. and Elta M. Stender, all minors.

John Hendrick, a 10-year old dependent boy, was placed in the custody of Harry Bailey, as probate officer. The boy has previously been in charge of Joe Coelho, Jr.

J. Garcia, of the First National Bank of Wailuku, has been selected by the Spanish consul-general in Honolulu to represent Spain as vice-consul on the Island of Maui. The official appointment will be made from the Spanish government, as soon as the recommendation can be acted upon.

J. C. Foss, Jr., has purchased from Angus McPhee, his interests in the Maui Stables, taking charge of the business on the first of the month. Mr. Foss states that the stables will do only a drayage and transportation business, and will not do ordinary livery work. A number of changes are being made about the property.

The Hugh Howell Engineering Company, recently incorporated with a capital of \$25,000, is a new Maui corporation which has succeeded Hugh Howell and Paul Lada in the contracting business. Hugh Howell is president, and Paul F. Lada is secretary and treasurer. D. H. Case, H. Stroubeck, and Fritz Stange are directors.

Frank M. Correa, for the past several years manager of the Pioneer Store, resigned his position on the first of the month, and has moved to Kula on recommendation of his physician. Augustine Enos, who has been with the Kahului Railroad, has taken the position of manager.

Mrs. Harry A. Baldwin, Mrs. W. H. Field, and Dr. W. D. Baldwin have been named by Chairman Kalama as members of the committee of managers of the Kula Farm and Sanitarium. One other member is still to be named to bring the committee up to 9 members, as was decided upon at the last meeting of the board of supervisors.

Hayafune, the well known automobile man of Lahaina, will leave Maui this evening with his wife for Japan. They do not expect to return. The Hayafune automobile service between Lahaina and Wailuku has been taken over by Y. Uchida, of Wailuku, who has added the 5 cars formerly operated by Hayafune to his own line. Mr. Uchida is well known as the representative of the White Sewing Machine Company on Maui.

Suspicious—Friend—"So this is one of your jokes, is it? Ha! ha! ha!" Humorist (testily)—"Well, what are you laughing at, anyhow? Isn't it a good one?"—Passing Show.

In a recent number of the "System" magazine, is an interesting article by J. D. Dole, "father of the pineapple industry," in which the development of the second industry of Hawaii is given much prominence. The article is elaborately illustrated with Hawaiian views.

Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Wood, who spent last week as the guest of their daughter Mrs. W. H. Young, of Lahaina, returned to Honolulu last Saturday. Mr. Wood was for nine years secretary and director of the Hawaii promotion committee, and during the past year was resident commissioner for Hawaii at the San Francisco exposition. He and his wife are now on their way to the Orient where they will tour for several months, and at the same time pay a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Durston, the wife of a prominent rubber man, in Singapore. Later it is their intention to make an extended tour of South America.

Two mortgages of homestead lots on Maui were approved recently by Governor Pinkham. One is by Henry L. Savers and wife to the Baldwin National Bank, of the land covered by land patent grant No. 6468, Lot No. 4, Kulaha tract; and the other is of Paul F. Lada to the First National Bank of Wailuku, of Lot No. 41, of the Kaupakalua tract.

A. L. C. Atkinson, the Honolulu attorney, has been appointed by Governor Pinkham a member of the board of agriculture and forestry, a position made vacant by the resignation of F. T. P. Waterhouse.

R. K. Purdy, of the Island Electric Company, was called to Hawaii on Wednesday evening, by the serious illness of his mother, who lives at Honolulu. He expects to return home early next week.

Miss Edith Livingston, of Kulaha is filling the place of Miss Pearson, as teacher in the Hamakuaupoko grammar school, while the latter is absent on the coast. Miss Pearson was called to her home in Iowa last week by the serious illness of her mother.

J. C. Foss, Jr., returned Monday evening from Hilo where he spent several days on business in connection with the big government road and wharf contract, which has just been completed.

C. C. James, arrived from Honolulu last Saturday, and spent several days on his homestead in Kuiaha. He left on Wednesday evening for Hilo on a business trip.

Tax Assessor J. H. Kunewa, returned to Wailuku last Saturday morning, after several days spent in Honolulu in connection with business of his office.

Judge and Mrs. R. P. Quarles and daughter Miss Dorothy, of Honolulu, were returning passengers by the Great Northern, this week.

Mrs. A. E. Brune and children left Honolulu for San Francisco in the Mauna, sailing on last Tuesday.

The board of supervisors will hold its monthly meeting next week, beginning on Wednesday, February 9.

Miss Clara C. Pearson, teacher in the Maui High School, received a cablegram last Friday that her mother was dangerously ill and left that night for Honolulu. Before the boat for the Coast left she received word of her mother's death. It is expected that she will return to Maui by the Claudine on Tuesday next.

Capt. O. J. Whitehead, this week moved his family into the property in the Wells Park addition, formerly occupied by E. M. Correa, who was moved to Kula.

J. P. Kinney, of Twin Falls, Idaho, who has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. C. Rothrock, of Wailuku for several weeks, left on Wednesday for Valparaiso, Chili, where he expects to go into the sheep raising business.

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE WEEK

(Continued From Page One.)

CHICAGO, February 1.—E. S. Johnson, proprietor of hotel where President was stopping jumped from the window of the 10th story yesterday, an hour after the President left. Was killed.

LONDON, February 1.—War office last night officially announced a fleet of Zeppelins threw bombs on eastern and northwestern and middle towns of England yesterday.

WASHINGTON, February 1.—Dispatch from navy dept. stated last night a craft has been sighted off coast of Florida, and is believed to be the lost submarine K 5.

PEKING, January 31.—Province after province of central and south China is joining the revolutionary movement and the revolt is assuming in some of the provinces a very serious aspect. News received in the capital from the south today shows that the province of Kweichow is in full rebellion. The revolutionists were able to take command of the public buildings and met no serious opposition from the military forces. The rebels cut communication after getting control of the province. Cities of Luchow and Tzetzutwang are reported captured by rebels. 12,000 soldiers from Kweichow are reported to have joined other rebels of Yuan and are marching into Chungking to attack the federal forces there.

WASHINGTON, January 31.—Preparations are now being made by congressional leaders to bring forward legislation to suspend the free sugar provision of the Wilson-Underwood tariff bill. The original plan was to wait until middle of March to take this matter up for active consideration by congress, but that is now changed and it is planned to bring up sugar duty legislation on Feb. 15. General agreement among the congressmen not to couple the sugar legislation with any other measure. A few of the leaders prefer that the sugar duty be considered with the consumption tax but it is expected that bill will be abandoned and the matter of sugar stand alone.

BERLIN, January 31.—Overseas News Agency states today that Italy has landed an additional division of troops at Avalona, Albania, with evident intention of contesting vigorously the Teutons campaign in the western Balkans.

CHIHUAHUA, January 31.—Gen. Villa reported to have been driven from Picachis Hills and to be surrounded by Carranza's soldiers near El Valle.

MAUI STABLES

J. C. FOSS, Jr., Prop.

Transferring and Draying

RING US UP AND WE WILL BE THERE.

Carnival Program Covers Full Week

Big Annual Event Promises To Be Best In History.—All Honolulu Preparing For Occasion.—Starts Monday Night

Opening Night, Monday, Feb. 21.—In charge of the Honolulu Ad Club. (1) Burlesque Parade. (2) Release of King Carnival from prison. (3) Ball of All Nations, open air dancing in the Palace Grounds and exhibitions of folk dancing. (4) Masked ball in the National Guard Armory.

First Day, Tuesday, Feb. 22.—Military parade in honor of the anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Troops of the Hawaiian Department, the National Guard of Hawaii and the Kamehameha School Cadets to be reviewed by Governor Pinkham and Brig. Gen. J. P. Wisner (2) Patriotic Exercises, under the auspices of the Sons of the American Revolution. (3) Swimming meet, under auspices of the Hawaiian Association A. A. T. (4) Lantern Parade through city streets.

Second Day, Wednesday, Feb. 23.—Hawaiian Pageant, at Waikiki. (2) Massed Band concert and (3) Colonial Days, the only fireworks tableaux ever shown in the Territory. Both at Molihi Field.

Third Day, Thursday, Feb. 24.—(2) Army and Navy Ball in Armory. (3) Benefit performance for Children's Aid and Free Kindergarten.

Fourth Day, Friday, Feb. 25.—Children's Festival. Songs and folk dancing by the children of the public schools, in the grounds of the Central Grammar School. (2) Hawaiian Nights Entertainment, scenes from the life of Ancient Hawaii, illustrated in the life, under the direction of Charles E. King, with the assistance of the Kamehameha Schools. To be staged in the Palace Grounds. (3) Directors' Ball in the Armory.

Fifth Day, Saturday, Feb. 26.—Exhibition by Boy Scouts, Palace Grounds. (2) Automobile races, Kapoli Park. (3) Water Pageant in conjunction with (4) "Edison Night," a reproduction of the most brilliant pyrotechnic display at the San Francisco Fair, given in Honolulu by the same company that produced it for the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

EVERY DAY.—The Hawaiian Village, open from noon until two p. m. A luau limited to 400 covers, served under the direction of Mrs. H. E. Palmer of the Courtland hotel. Music and dancing.

Baseball at Athletic Park. The Olympic Club of San Francisco against the pick teams of Oahu.

Tennis at the courts of the Pacific Tennis Club.

WAILUKU CHURCH ELECTS OFFICERS.

At the annual meeting of the Wailuku Union Church, held last Sunday evening, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Leslie R. Mathews, deacon for one year; M. C. Ayres, deacon for two years; Mrs. John Rivers, deaconess for two years; trustees—D. H. Case, W. A. McKay, H. B. Penhallow, W. F. Crockett, and O. J. Whitehead. R. K. Purdy and John Rivers were elected ushers. H. B. Penhallow was later elected chairman of the board of trustees, and W. A. McKay, secretary.

Corn and Potatoes For Local Planting

Experiment Station Tells About Results Obtained on Haiku Demonstration Farm.—Seed for Distribution.

Among the most promising crops for island conditions that have been tried out at the Haiku sub-station of the Hawaii experiment station, are sweet potatoes. Several varieties have been developed by selection, until the station is now quite sure that it has varieties that appeal both to the consumer and to the farmer. White potatoes and field corn also comes in for attention, in the description recently issued by the station in connection with its seed distribution work for this year. Along these lines the paper in question says:

Field Corn.

New Era Yellow Dent. A select, medium early, medium size grain yellow dent corn. The type most in demand in the Honolulu market. Yielded at the rate of 64 bushels per acre and shelled 84 per cent grain at Haiku in 1914. Average yield for three years over 50 bushels per acre. (Note: See Press Bul. No. 42, H. A. E. S. Entitled "Corn Culture and Improvement.")

Hickory King. An old standard. Small cobs, large seeded, white variety, succeeding well at Haiku. Fairly weevil resistant, but not acceptable to Hawaiian markets because of white color and large size of grain.

Cultural Notes. Field corn may be planted in rows three feet apart, eight inches apart in the row. Plant as early in the year as the weather conditions will permit. For green fodder and silage the so-called "Kula" corn of Maui gives very satisfactory results, especially in a wet season. Corn is a greedy feeder and requires a rich soil and ample moisture to mature a maximum crop. New lands usually give good yields when well tilled. If lacking in organic matter, old land should be given a heavy dressing of barn yard manure, or a heavy growth of some leguminous crop should be well worked into the surface eight inches. When the organic matter is well rotted the crop may be planted with the assurance, climatic conditions being favorable, and seed of adaptable kind, that a good crop will result. It will often pay to use commercial fertilizer—500 pounds per acre of the following formula:

5 per cent Nitrogen (1/4 Nitrate, 3/4 Blood)
8 per cent Phosphoric Acid (W. S.)
6 per cent Potash (Sulphate)

has given good results when applied in the row at time of planting at the Haiku Station.

Sweet Potatoes. This is one of the surest crops that can be grown either in the garden or as a field crop. Twelve varieties have been grown at the Haiku Station during the past three years. The three best varieties, both as to cultural adaptability as well as market acceptability have been selected and are offered in the following list:

New Era. A vigorous growing variety and the most prolific sort tested. Especially adapted to stock feeding, although a fourth to a third are of a size and quality to make them acceptable for table use. Ten plants have given a gross yield of 280 pounds—vines and tubers—70 pounds of which consisted of tubers. Individual tubers weigh as high as five pounds at the end of a six months growing season.

Merced Sweet. This is a most refined variety producing small yellow skinned tubers of highest quality. The variety most sought after in the San Francisco markets. It commands as high as 8 cents per pound from April to June.

"Medera" or "Kauai." An excellent yellow variety brought to Kauai from Medera by Portuguese immigrants. Has met with a ready sale in the Honolulu markets where the lowest price thus far obtained has been \$1.25 per 100 pounds.

50 to 100 cuttings of each variety, depending upon the demand will be offered to applicants at 25 cents for each variety. The plants should be set out twelve to eighteen inches apart in rows four feet apart. Two thirds of the cutting should be placed underground and firmly. To multiply the stock, cuttings can be made as soon as runners are sent out by the original plants.

Potatoes. During the past year two distinct strains of ten varieties of potatoes were grown in an extended variety test. The spring crop covering some two acres, gave poor yield. The fall crop, however, which was grown from selected seed from the spring crop gave excellent results both in quality and quantity. 25 to 50 selected eyes of each of two following varieties, depending upon the demand, will be offered.

Bliss Triumph. An early round red potato yielding a first class potato for table use. Tubers very uniform and yields satisfactory.

American Wonder. An excellent white potato resembling the Burbank in appearance, but is much earlier.

We would recommend planting the eyes in rich soil one foot apart in rows three to four feet apart. Plant shallow in a mellow well drained soil. A handful of wood ashes worked into the bottom of the hill will add greatly to the productivity of the crop.

A charge of 5 cents for each variety of seeds, which will usually consist of half pound lots, excepting in the case of Sann Hemp, of which two ounces will be allotted to each applicant. 50 to 100 cuttings of sweet potatoes and 25 to 50 eyes of each variety of Irish potato will be allotted to each applicant. These will be charged for at the rate of 10 cents per lot. Orders will be filled in the order of their receipt and applications should be made early. The general distribution will be throughout the month of January. Cash should ac-

By Authority.

The following ordinance has passed first reading and will be finally considered at the next meeting of the board:

Ordinance No.—
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 27 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PASSED ON JUNE 15TH, 1914, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 32 PASSED ON NOVEMBER 13, 1915, BY ADDING THERETO SECTIONS 18-A, PROVIDING SPECIAL RATES FOR WATER FURNISHED FROM ANY OF THE WATERWORKS SYSTEMS MENTIONED IN SAID ORDINANCE TO CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS TAKING WATER THEREFROM.

Be It Ordained by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Maui:

1. That Ordinance No. 27 of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Maui, as amended by Ordinance No. 32 of the Board of Supervisors, is further amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered "18-A," reading as follows:

"18-A." "Provided, however, that commencing with the 1st day of January 1916, that rates to be charged for water furnished from any of the water works systems covered by this ordinance to any church, or schools taking water therefrom shall be as follows: "For water furnished and used for domestic and household purposes only one (1c) cent per thousand gallons for all water used, irrespective of the amount so used.

"For water furnished and used for purposes of irrigation three (3c) cents per thousand gallons for all water used, irrespective of the amount so used; and

"Provided, further, that none of the provisions of said Ordinance No. 27, as amended by Ordinance No. 32, relating to minimum charges, shall be held to apply to churches and schools coming under the provisions of this ordinance."

2. Any and all churches and schools desiring to avail themselves of the provisions of this ordinance shall make written application therefor to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Maui; such application shall set forth the facts with sufficient definiteness as to enable the Board of Supervisors to determine whether or not such applicant is entitled to the privilege hereof.

3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its publication for 2 weeks in a newspaper of general circulation, published in the County of Maui and the posting of a true copy thereof upon a bulletin board in front of or near the rooms occupied by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Maui, at Wailuku, Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

Approved this—day of—
1916, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Maui.

Chairman and Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Maui, Territory of Hawaii.

Attest:
County Clerk, County of Maui.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance upon consideration had and vote taken, was passed by the Board of Supervisors for and within the county of Maui, Territory of Hawaii, at its regular session held on the—day of—, 1916, at its Board Room in Wailuku, County of Maui aforesaid.

County Clerk, County of Maui.

A FORMER HONOLULU BOY MARRIED.

Word has been received here of the wedding of Miss Helene Dixon Norris of Allendale, New Jersey, to William James Lowrie, Jr. The groom is the son of W. J. Lowrie, former manager of Ewa and later of the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home in Allendale. The young couple will make their home at 661 East Eighteenth street, Brooklyn, New York. Mr. Lowrie having lived in New York for some time.

The Musical Goolmans drew big houses at the Valley Isle Theater last Monday and Tuesday. Their novel and unique instruments produce enchanting music under their magic touch, and the performers were encircled time and again. Herbert Winter, the English Comedian, was also well received.

Tomorrow night (Saturday), the chief attraction at the Valley Isle will be "The Lusitania Disaster," a most thrilling feature in 3 reels, and also the second episode of the New Adventures of Wallingford and two other reels. The movie fans last Saturday evening who saw this great serial feature declared it to be a great improvement on other serials.

Chas. Chaplin in "Dough & Dynamite" was also well received last Tuesday evening. Next Tuesday Charlie will appear in double bill "The Rounders" and "Love Pangs."

DIED

COOKE—At the Fred Baldwin Memorial Home, Paia, Maui, Jan. 30, 1916, John Cook, native of Deptford, England. Born June 14, 1824. Pioneer in California, and resident of Hawaii for 71 years. Age 92 years. Buried at the Makawao cemetery, January 31, 1916.

WYMAN—At the Fred Baldwin Memorial Home, Paia, Maui, Jan. 29, 1916, James Gilmore Wyman, a native of Phippsburg, Me. A resident of the Islands for 40 years. Age, 76 years. Buried at Makawao cemetery on January 31, 1916.

WILBUR—In Wailuku, Feb. 4, 1916, Thelma, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Wilbur of Main street.

company the order. Address F. G. Krauss, Supt. of Extension Work, U. S. Experiment Station, Haiku, Maui.

On the Other Islands

Only Woman Lawyer.

Miss Marguerite Kamehakaalani Ashford, daughter of Circuit Judge C. W. Ashford, of Honolulu, was last week admitted to practise law in all the courts of the Territory. Miss Ashford is a graduate of Punahou, the University of California, and the University of Michigan law school. She is the second woman ever admitted to the Hawaiian bar, the other being the later Mrs. W. L. Moore, nee Miss Alameda E. Hitchcock, who died about 17 years ago.

Song Birds For Islands.

F. G. Bonifis, owner of the Denver Post, who has been a visitor in Honolulu for several months, has made an offer to the Board of Agriculture and Forestry to import at his own expense, robins, mockingbirds, meadow larks, and bluebirds sufficient to stock every valley on Oahu. For fear that some of these song birds might become a pest, the board is giving the offer serious study.

Big Lawyers' Fees in Smart Case.

Attorneys' fees aggregating over \$84,000 were last week allowed by Judge Whitney, of the First Circuit Court, in the settlement of the Thelma Parker Smart will contest matter. This with fees previously paid to lawyers, makes a total of \$105,573.99.

Next Civic Convention in September.

The committee responsible for the meeting of the next civic convention of the Territory to be held in Hilo this year have decided to hold it in September at the time the county fair is held. The fair will last four days and the convention, it is thought, will be better attended and be much more interesting for all concerned if it is held during the fair.

Big Dividends Paid.

Dividends paid during January by the various sugar stocks and miscellaneous securities listed on the Honolulu Stock Exchange reached the total of \$752,375. This is greater by \$97,210 than payments made during January, 1915.

Many Passengers Arrive.

The Great Northern, which arrived in Honolulu on Tuesday, brought 551 passengers, most of whom are tourists. This makes 1732 passengers that the big lines has brought to the Islands in 4 voyages. The Matson steamer Matsonia which also arrived on Tuesday, brought 183 passengers.

Honolulu Swamped With Tourists. The congestion in Honolulu due to the usually large number of tourists now in the Islands, is graphically indicated by the following "ad" prominently displayed in the Honolulu papers this week:

OPEN UP YOUR HOMES FOR OUR VISITORS

Our office was swamped this morning with Matsonia and Great Northern passengers CLAMORING for Rooms. Our accommodation list was exhausted and many strangers—OUR GUESTS—are wandering all over the town looking for a place to sleep. YOUR EXTRA ROOM WILL HELP OUT.

Imagine yourself, with a pocketful of money, being unable to get a room in a strange town. PHONE US AT ONCE.

HAWAII PROMOTION COMMITTEE.

Phone 2345.

"My plate is damp," complained a traveler, who was dining in a wayside hotel. "Hush!" whispered his wife. "That's your soup. They serve small portions in war time."

The servant girl in a suburban family was taken to task for oversleeping. "Well, ma'am," she said, "I sleep very slow, and so it takes me a long while to get a good night's rest."

Not His Fault.—Missus—"Ary, your young man has such an air of braggadoocio about him."

Mary—"Yis, pore lad, he worruks in a livery-stable."—Dartmouth Jack-o' Lantern.

Judging Distance.

Most people are unaware that the apparent distance of an object depends upon the use of both eyes. This fact, however, can be strikingly shown. Place a pencil so that two or three inches project over the edge of a table.

Then stand alongside the table, close one eye and attempt to knock the pencil off by quickly hitting the projecting end with the tip of the forefinger. Almost invariably the person making the attempt underestimates the distance by an inch or more and, much to his surprise, misses the pencil entirely. One eyed people, accustomed to estimating distances with only one eye, of course have no trouble in hitting the pencil at the first trial.—St. Nicholas.

Straight Talk a Virtue.

Everybody respects the man who talks without circumlocution and who means what he says, whose tongue is not twisted and who goes right to the mark, never seeking to mislead or to misrepresent. Straight talk is a virtue that is practiced all too little. Imagine what a different world this would be if there were no other kind in business, in domestic affairs, in society, in diplomacy—between employers and workers, politicians and people, government and governed and in the professional and the business world! How large a part of many men's occupations would be gone if there was never anything but perfectly straight talk between man and man!—Christian Herald.